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SUBJ: MEDIA REACTION REPORT: BREZHNEV US VISIT

1. FRONT PAGE COVERAGE BREZHNEV VISIT CONTINUED HEAVY OVER WEEKEND. POLITIKA AND BORBA PRINTED NINE WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT REPORTS AND COMMENTARIES IN THREE DAYS. ARTICLES UNIFORMLY POSITIVE WHILE FREQUENTLY EXPRESSING CAVEAT THAT " MANY DIFFICULT QUESTIONS" REMAIN.

2. IN GENERALLY POSITIVE FRONT- PAGE STORY, JUNE 23 POLITIKA NOTED, " IT REFLECTS AN INTERESTING FACT THAT REAPPROACHMENT AND MUTUAL CONFIDENCE AMONG CONTEMPORARY STATESMEN IN U. S. AND SOVIET UNION HAVE CLEARLY GONE MUCH FATHER THAN ANY " MELTING" ON CAPITOL HILL AND SOME PLACES ON OTHER SIDE. WHILE TALKING TO ONE ANOTHER, STATESMEN ARE FORCED TO CONTINUALLY CONTACT INFLUENCE MAKERS IN THEIR OWN COUNTRIES..."

3. JUNE 24 POLITIKA SAID, " EVENT OF WEEK, IF NOT OF YEAR, TOOK PLACE FAR FROM EUROPE, ALTHOUGH IT LARGELY CONCERNED HER... THE TWO STRONGEST NUCLEAR POWERS ARE MAKING DECISIVE EFFORTS TO AVOID WAR IN WHICH THEY WOULD BE DAMAGED. THEY WANT TO INSURE THEM-
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SELVES AGAINST UNDESIRE RISKS..."

4. BORBA, JUNE 23 , NOTES " BREZHNEV MADE PRESENT VISIT TO U. S.
WHEN MOST AMERICANS ARE SYMPATHETIC TO HIS COUNTRY... PROVED BY
GALLUP POLL... KEEPING IN MIND... SIGNED AGREEMENTS AND TREATMENT
BREZHNEV WAS GIVEN BY USUALLY SUSPICIOUS U. S. PRESS, MAJORITY
OBSERVERS BELIEVE NEW RELATIONS BETWEEN U. S. AND U. S. S. R.
NO POLITICAL SLOGAN, BUT REALITY..."

5. JUNE 24 BORBA SAYS, " IT IS NOT ACCIDENTAL BOTH SIDES USE...
TERMS - LIKE ' HISTORICAL MEETING' OR ' SUCCESS TO BE EXPRESSED
NOT IN YEARS, BUT IN DECADES AND GENERATIONS.' BUT IT IS
HARD NOT TO SEE GREAT OBSTACLES STANDING IN WAY OF COOPERATION
AND REAPPROACHMENT FOR MILITARY, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC
ALLIANCES LOOSE LITTLE OF THEIR CURRENCY, DESPITE FACT THAT COLD
WAR HAS BEEN OVERCOME AND DESPITE NEW WORLD DEVELOPMENTS."
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